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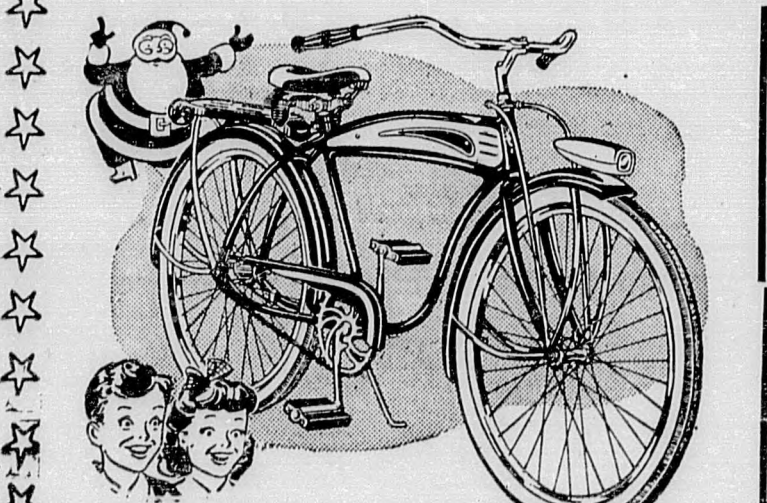
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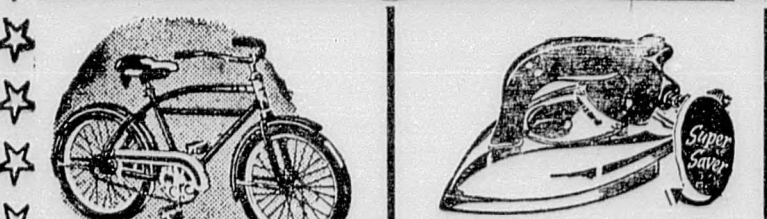
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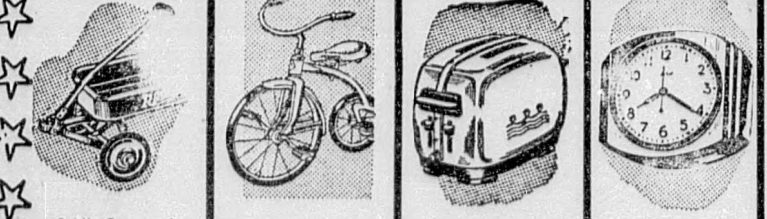
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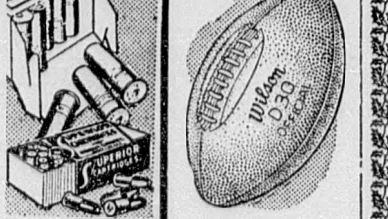
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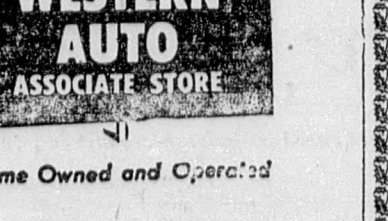


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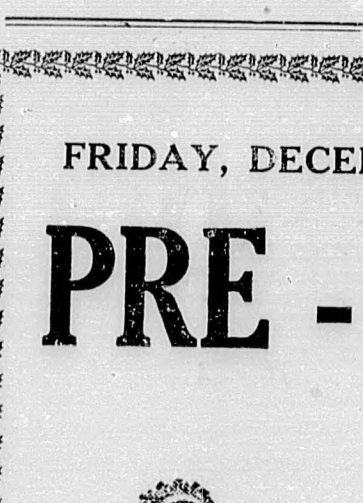
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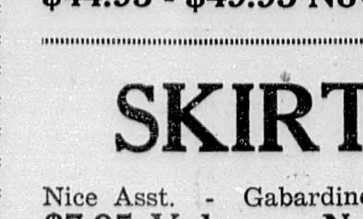
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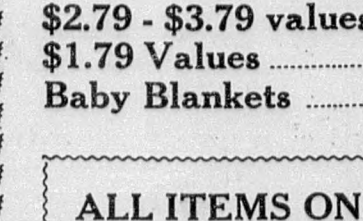


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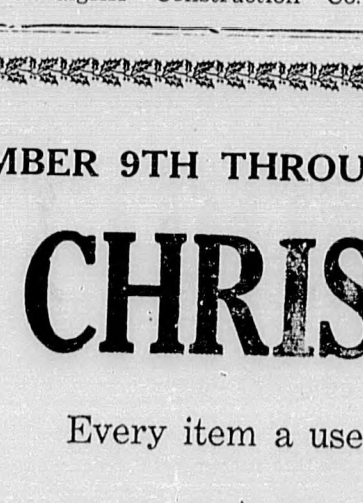
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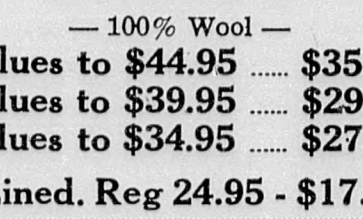
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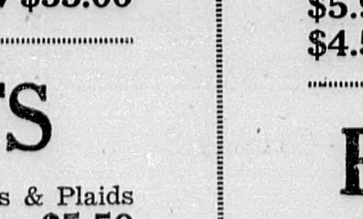
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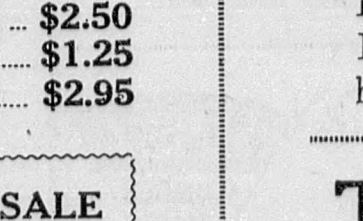


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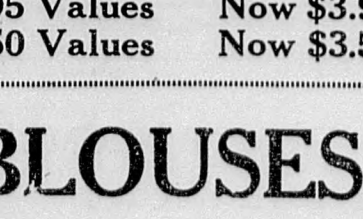
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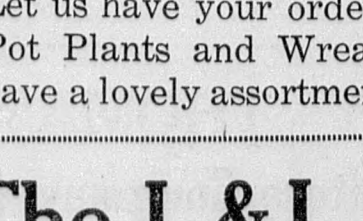


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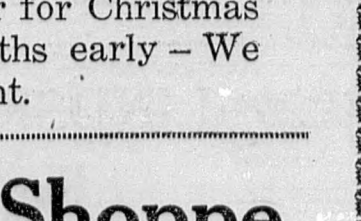


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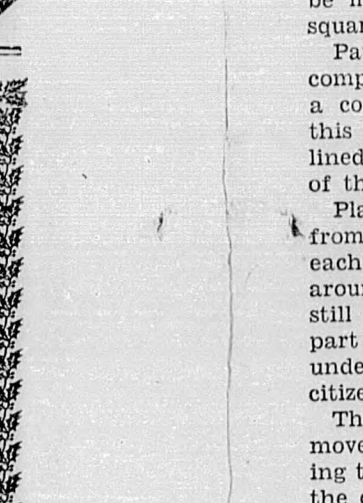
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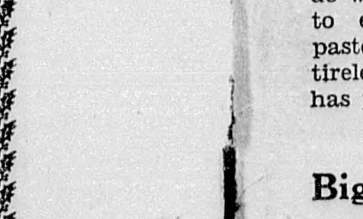
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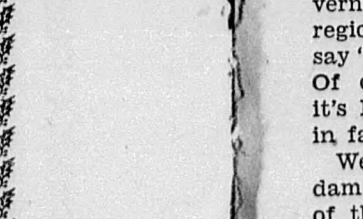
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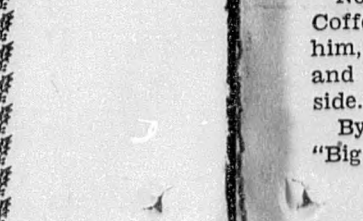


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About People and Things
By C. B. McDowell

Up To Ladies Now

For several years Elba ladies clubs have been agitating for beautification of the City square and court house yards. This week the city street department leveled off the 10 foot wide parkways on all sides of the square and they are now ready for planting. It has been suggested that they be planted with roses and azaleas so that they will be pretty at different seasons of the year; azaleas in the spring and roses during the summer months.

There is plenty of room for planting in the parkways and it is urged that the women get behind the project. Filling in the shrubbery now around the courthouse and the drives will be finished at an early date.

Mayor Mullins suggested that the shrubbery now around the courthouse be removed in favor of more attractive shrubs. He says the only way in which the shrubbery serves is to harbor gnats and other insects.

Mayor Mullins also calls attention to the fact that two of the three large trees on the east side of the courtyard are on the south side of the walk and not only obscure the building from view from the street but also presents an unbalanced appearance. Removal of the tree would be a great aid in the appearance of the building. After the other tree is trimmed there will still be a large shade on that side of the building. This arrangement will leave a tree near each corner of the courtyard.

This column hopes that the ladies clubs will accept the challenge and take action on this project. The Elba courtyard can be made into a very attractive square.

Paving of the drives has been completed with the exception of a coat of blacktop. As soon as this is applied the drives will be lined off, thus eliminating much of the confusion in parking.

Plans call for walks to be built from each corner of the yard to each corner of the building. There is still much work to be done on this part of the project, but it is well underway and cooperation of all citizens is essential.

The ladies clubs can give the movement a big boost by planting the ball rolling, and planting the outside parkways with beautiful flowers. Let's hear from the ladies.

The full term of Coffee County Criminal court convened in Elba Monday morning, Dec. 5, 1949. C. C. Brannen presiding. The court was in session Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, adjourning Wednesday evening.

The following cases were disposed of:

State vs. James H. Rogers, alias, selling property covered by lien. Not pressed by payment of costs.

State vs. J. P. Allen, forgery, second degree. Continued.

State vs. Milford Money, Fraudulent check, four cases. Plea of guilty to next term.

State vs. Arthur D. Newsome, transporting liquor. Mistrial.

Continued to next term.

State vs. Francis Dowling, Transporting liquor. Mistrial.

Continued to next term.

State vs. Bill Lee, Selling or removing personal property covered by lien. Continued to next term.

State vs. George J. Wise, Fraudulent check. Continued to next term.

State vs. Cecil Bishop, A. to M. Continued to next term.

State vs. Allen Devine, A. to M. Continued to next term.

Big Jim's Lake
"Big Jim's" Fish Pond has an other advocate as evidenced by the following letter:
Dear Mr. McDowell:
It seems to me that "Big Jim's" Fish Pond is the natural name for the lake under construction west of Elba. It is already in the vernacular. Ask anybody in the region about the lake and he will say "Oo you mean the fish pond?" Of course we already concede it's Big Jim's—in spirit, if not in fact.

We imagine him sitting on the dam which crosses the lower end of the lake, gently stirring the water with his feet, and a-cooling them to his hearts content as he tries for a nibble, not caring for the fish as much as for the sport. And where is a better place to forget the snarls of public office and the cares of statehood?

Nor will he be alone. We Coffee Countians will be with him, fishing or chasing coons and possums over the country side.

By all means, let's name it "Big Jim Fish Pond."

Sincerely,
Eunora Farris

Mrs. Joe Maddox has returned to her home after spending several days at Edge hospital in Troy for treatment.

Woods Fires Do Little Damage In County
Frank Conway, Coffee County forester, reports that despite the long dry spell, very little damage resulted in the county from fires in the woods. He says that the worst of the year has been the situation somewhat, but only after hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of damage had been done in widely scattered areas, according to J. M. Stauffer, who urged all farmers to help keep down damage from fires by burning brush and trash.

Forester Conway said the greatest fire hazard he has to contend with is fires that start along highways and roadways caused by careless throwing of matches and cigarettes into the grass, starting fires that quickly spread into adjoining woods. He wishes to thank the farmers for their part in helping control the fires.

City Christmas Tree
A large Christmas tree has been placed in front of the City Hall to complete the City decorations. The varicolored lights harmonize well with the lights in front of the building and around the city square. When asked if presents were being hung on the tree, Mayor Mullins stated that it was a receiving tree, not a dispensary—this gift of the friends of the city hall personnel wish to hang gifts on the tree which will be acceptable, but do not overload it.

Former Elbian Dies In Panama City, Fla.
Mr. M. J. (Mack) Lee, a former Elbian, died December 6th at a Panama City, Fla. hospital. He was buried the following day in that city.

Mr. Lee was eighty years old, and at the time of his death he was making his home with his son in Panama City.

He was a member of one of Coffee County's most prominent and well known families.

He is survived by his son, J. A. Lee; three brothers, Pate and Red Lee of Avon Park, Fla., and Alva Lee of Elba; three sisters, Mrs. Will White, Mrs. Ruth Lee of Elba Rt. 1; Mrs. Valley Vaughan of Montgomery, and Mrs. Ida B. E. Montford of Fort Worth, Texas.

Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p. m. Monday at the home of Mrs. Ida B. E. Montford.

Interment will be in the Elba cemetery.

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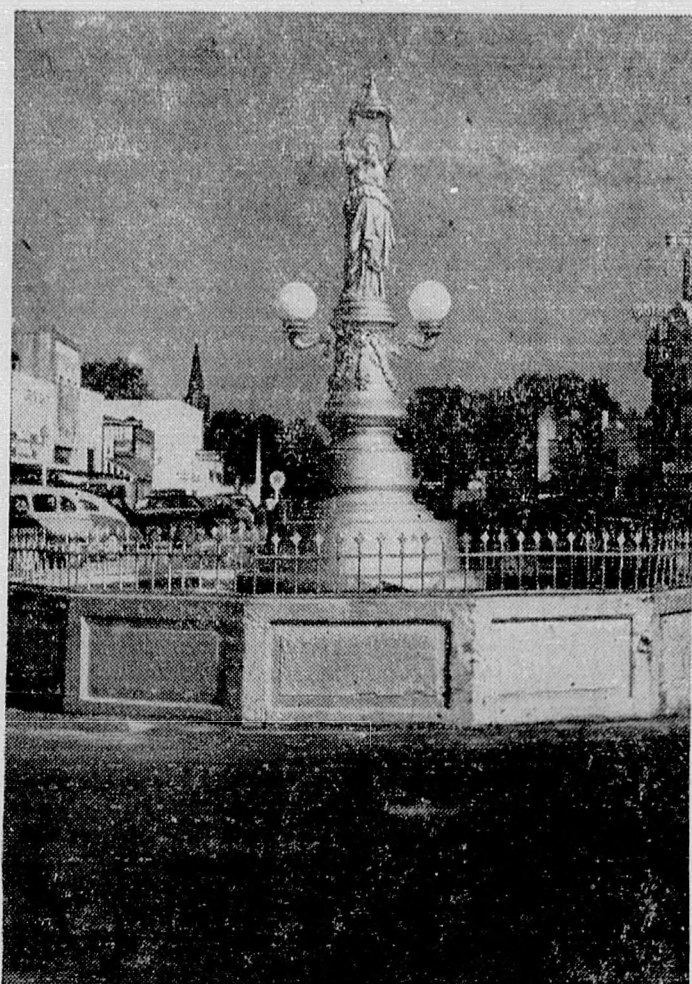
Peanuts Replace Cotton Because Of Boll Weevil

From "Piney Wood Echoes"

In 1910 the Mexican boll weevil found its way into Alabama and started its damage to the cotton crop. It can never be estimated how many dollars this insect has cost the farmers of Coffee County in loss of cotton. Before the coming of the boll weevil in the late summer of 1915, the yield of cotton in the County averaged 35,000 bales each year. Cotton was king and the farmers knew little about growing anything else. That was the only way they knew to earn a living.

The first year the weevil made its appearance in the county the cotton yield was cut to about sixty per cent of normal by the ravages of the bug. Planters were literally raked off their feet, and were in about the same predicament as a ship without a rudder.

In spite of the ravages wrought in 1915 the farmers planted a bumper crop for 1916 and every conceivable method was employed in combating the boll weevil, but the effort availed nothing, for in that year



The Boll Weevil Monument, located in Enterprise, Alabama. The monument is the world's largest monument dedicated to a pest.

less than one-third the normal crop was harvested. The condition that confronted the farmers in Coffee County confronted farmers throughout the entire cotton belt from Texas through Georgia. Everybody faced bankruptcy, with the bankers and the merchants "holding the bag".

Awakening to the fact that something had to be done, and done quickly, diversified farming was preached from the hills and in the valleys, and for the first time in the history of the cotton growing section, an attempt was made to grow other farm crops in sufficient quantities to take care of not only home

needs, but to have something to market for cash crops. Corn, potatoes, peanuts, sugar cane, and hay, as well as cattle and hogs, began to assume importance as farm crops. The results were astounding. It was found that these crops could be grown as successfully here as anywhere else.

Peanuts, however, was the crop chosen to supplant cotton in the general agricultural scheme and in the year 1917 this country grew and harvested more than a million bushels for market—more by a long leap, than any other county in the nation. And to this day, Coffee County is still the unit mentioned when comparisons are made in peanut production.

On December 11, 1919, one year and one month after the armistice was signed ending the first World War, a monument was unveiled in Enterprise to perpetuate the memory of an insect whose advent resulted in an agricultural revolution; that is, changed its entire character. The idea of the monument was conceived entirely in the mind of R. O. (Bon) Fleming, then a merchant and a member of the City Council of Enterprise. Without solicitation, the citizens of the town liberally contributed to the expenses of the monument, which has undoubtedly created more interest and comment than anything else in the county.

Efforts have been made to discredit the motives which inspired the erection of the Boll Weevil Monument. Some people have sought to treat the matter humorously, but the motivating spirit that caused the erection of the Boll Weevil Monument was both sincere and serious. It stands today, as it has stood in the past, and will stand in the future, a beacon pointing ever toward the saneness and soundness of diversified farming.

On the base of the monumental fountain can be found the following inscription, which was placed there when the monument was built and was a part of it on the day of its unveiling, December 11, 1919.

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SHORT STORY

The Price

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

THERE was a strangeness about Pancho Ortega that was hard to describe. There was mystery in his eyes, a wildness, a curiously detached look. Yet he had the high regard of intelligence, the cheekbones and nose of breeding, the erect carriage of pride. He was the type of man that you looked at twice.

I first saw him two summers ago in Cano. It was awfully hot outside, but with in the dark interior of the saloon you could forget the heat.

Ortega was sitting alone at a table, an untouched drink at his elbow, an open book in his lap. No one bothered him; the dining girls veered away; there was respect in the attitude of the waiter who served him that wasn't evidenced for other customers.

"Who is he?" I asked Juan. "Pancho Ortega, the head hunter."

"Head hunter?" I stared, drink held suspended. Juan's white teeth flashed against his dark skin.

"It surprises you, yes? That business of head hunting. Come, surely you have heard of the head hunting tribes?"

"Who hasn't?" I assented. "But who ever believed them?" "Come," said Juan, "You Americans must be shown."

I followed Juan down Cano's single street, beneath the blazing sun, and into the cool dark interior of what might pass as a gift shop back home. Juan spoke rapidly in his native tongue to the swarthy gentleman behind the counter. The swarthy gentleman looked at me, shrugged, and disappeared into a back room. In a moment he reappeared carrying in his hand an

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Rev. Duncan Faces Death Calmly For Part He Played In Early Crime

From "Piney Wood Echoes"

The Hanging Of Rev. Henry Duncan

This is an account of the hanging and the dying statement of Rev. Henry Duncan. The hanging occurred in Ozark on Friday, February 21, 1890.

The crime for which Henry Duncan was hanged was perhaps one of the most heinous ever recorded in the annals of Alabama's history.

The large crowd present to witness the execution and to hear the dying statement of Henry Duncan was variously estimated at from 5,000 to 10,000 people. Sheriff Byrd and Jailer Barnes went to the jail at 12:00 o'clock noon and had the doomed man shaved and ready for the execution. He was conveyed from the county jail to the gallows in a carriage drawn by a pair of fine horses, in the company of the sheriff, jailer, the clerk, and guards.

While on this very solemn journey he smoked a cigar, and recognizing several friends, he spoke to them very pleasantly.

After they had arrived at the gallows, the handcuffs were removed and he was seated on the inside. He chatted with the people around him. At seven minutes past one o'clock he ascended the gallows in company with Sheriff Byrd and jailer Barnes and addressed the crowd as follows:

"Honorable gentlemen and ladies, one and all—I desire to make my last speech to a congregation in this world, and in so doing I don't want you to misunderstand me for what I say will be the truth, and I call upon God to witness this fact. Standing over the trap of death today does not excite Henry Duncan, The Savior gave up his life and all must go up the same road, old and young, black and white. I am not laboring under any excitement but stand today and speak a condemned man. I am resigned to my life. I acknowledge my part of the horrible crime, other parties, though, ought to stand beside me. Let's go back to my youth and follow my life up to now. My father died in the Confederate army, fighting for his country, and his youngest son stands on the gallows today. I was raised an orphan by a prayerful mother, and always found her words to be true. I have known what it is to be hungry and bare of clothes, but it was the best my mother could do for me. I have known what it was to have kicks and scorns all my life, but have struggled through by the help of God.

I attached myself to the Freewill Baptist Church six years ago and was baptized by the Rev. J. C. Hendley and was licensed to preach a short time afterward; and look where I stand today, all on account of a flattering girl.

I was working for John Q. Baldrée, father of the young lady, when she first began to make love to me. I was honestly earning bread for my wife and helpless

children. I came from the field one day, hot and tired, and in her father's own kitchen I said to her, "What do poor people want to live for anyhow?" She replied that she wanted to live just to look at some people. I asked her who she wanted to look at and she replied, "You, for one." From that time the devil commenced. I first resisted it, but her influence over balanced me and I began to meet her on half-way grounds. I am ready to tell the whole thing.

It began to grow stronger. I would meet her in different places, in her father's kitchen, and at all times she met me with that same sweet flattering smile, and one morning in her father's kitchen she sat on this very knee, threw her arms around my neck and says, "Henry I love you more than I can tell." Notice the inducements from this flattering girl. She says, "Henry if your wife were out of the way, and I was your wife, I would meet you at the gate with a smile of welcome on my face," and people, I am not afraid to stand here today over this death trap and tell the truth in order to meet my God in peace.

I feel today that I will meet, Dolly, my murdered wife, in Heaven, and get her forgiveness. I have taken my case to God and may the other guilty parties do the same thing and get forgiveness for their awful sin. People, the existence of love did not stop here. I would lie in her father's house in a little shed room on the piazza, and this flattering girl would come to my bedside, kiss me, hug me, and tell me to get up and come into the kitchen where she was cooking breakfast.

I appeal to you people to look at the inducements she gave me and the circumstances under which I was placed. I am one of the guilty parties and John Q. Baldrée and Georgia Baldrée are the others implicated in the crime. I stand here today over the death trap for a crime of which I am the only one convicted, the other parties stand innocent in the eyes of the law, and I pray God that they may stand justified as I do.

Now as for the understanding between John Q. Baldrée and I, he was the first man to mention killing my wife. He said, "If you will do it, I will go to Newton tomorrow and get you a bottle of morphine and it is understood to be given to your wife for neuralgia." He furnished the money, I never had a nickel; bought the morphine and I carried it in my pocket for several days. I could not get the courage or did not have the heart to give it to Dolly, my wife.

There was an understanding between me, Baldrée and Georgia, that Georgia and I were to marry. He told me in Georgia's presence how much morphine to give my wife, but I could not do it. I gave it to Georgia and told her it was her business, she could do it if she wanted to. She went to my house, prepared the medicine for my wife and told her it would help her neuralgia. She came back through the field where I was plowing and told me what she had done, and told me when we would be married. She also said Dolly said for me to come home, but if she were me she wouldn't do it.

That night after supper I was sitting on Baldrée's piazza talking to him and all of a sudden I got restless and could stay no longer. I left and went home and found my wife lying on the bed very sick. She told me she could hardly breathe and felt like ropes were tied around her. I waited on her patiently, for dear people, I was sorry it had been done, and if I could have called it back I would have been the happiest person in the world, for I had a dear good wife and she loved me too. I sat up with her all night and did all I could for her. I put no poison in my wife's mouth and I called upon God to witness that I am telling the truth. I was sick of the awful crime and if I could have called it back all the fair damsels in Alabama could not have influenced me to have allowed such a thing done. Standing over this death trap as I am, I like the hope of meeting my God in peace. I have given up mother, brother, sister, and friends without great trouble, but my only dread is to leave my three little boys to lead the orphan road as I have done all through life, all on account of a fair damsel. I know my children are in good hands. They are with Jay Ammonds, a cousin of mine, who lives near Echo and you people, they are dear to me. They came to jail to see me last week and the oldest remembered the times when he knelt around the family altar in prayer and asked me if I prayed now. I have always had family prayer at my house, when at home.

I am giving away in voice, but I am not the least excited. I could stand here and tell of the horrible crime that I have got to suffer for today. I was raised near Echo, in Dale County, and lived happily with my wife prior to the time I met this young lady and had it not been for Mr. Baldrée and his daughter, I would now be at home with my family. Young people take warning from me. Don't let a flattering girl lead you astray and damn your soul, but live a Christian life.

I have forgiven everybody. I die with no malice in my heart and if John Q. Baldrée is here today I would like to shake his hand and tell him I have nothing against him. I feel like God has forgiven all my sins and I expect to know Dolly again in Heaven where enemies can never separate us. I never thought I would die this way, but it seems that fate has been against me."

At this time Mr. W. H. Simmons proposed a contribution for his little children, and during the interval Mr. Duncan stood upon the gallows smoking a cigar and recognizing some of his boyhood friends in the crowd, spoke to them pleasantly, not displaying the least excitement. Some one in the crowd made the proposition that all who were in favor of saving his neck hold up their hands. Simultaneously thousands

of hands went up and Sheriff Byrd and the prisoner seeing the eminent danger of a stampede, quelled it at once. The doomed man assisted in doing so.

Mr. Duncan was informed that he had but about ten minutes to live and that he must hurry through. He said, "I do thank this kind people today for their contribution to my poor children and it is a consolation for me to know in my last hour that I have friends and sympathizers. I desire to return thanks to the Sheriff and Jailer for their kindness to me since my confinement in jail. My attorneys, Carmichael, Simmons, and Borders have worked for me mercifully, without money too, and I desire to thank them in my last moments. I must leave you now, my time has come, so one and all, Goodbye."

The curtain was drawn back and the people inside the enclosure began telling him goodbye. Sheriff Byrd began tying the knot preparatory to putting it around his neck when he was asked by Mr. Duncan to let him examine it, and asked Mr. Byrd not to become excited, that he was not. After the cap was put over his face he asked how long it would take him to die after the trap was sprung. He was answered by someone in the enclosure.

The trap was sprung at 2:30 o'clock and his neck was broken. He died within six minutes and was cut down. He never moved a muscle after the drop.

His remains were taken by relatives as he had requested, and carried to Damascus Church, Jackson County, Alabama, where he was buried the following Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Mullins visited in Montgomery Monday.

Mrs. J. C. McLeod of Opp spent the week-end in Elba with her sisters, Mrs. Pearl Brock and Mrs. W. O. Vaughan.

Judge and Mrs. J. A. Canley, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Kendrick, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Devane, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick attended the golden anniversary tea in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Tillman Sunday afternoon.

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MR. AND MRS. M. L. TILLMAN HONORED WITH GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Tillman were honored on their golden wedding anniversary Sunday afternoon when their sons and daughters entertained with a tea given at the home of their parents at Tennille.

Yellow mums were used in decoration in the living room. In the dining room two large old oaken buckets, from which hung clusters of gold and silver colored grape vines, were placed on either side of the window and formed a background for the refreshment table. The table was covered with a lace cloth and held for its central decoration a tiered wedding cake embossed in gold with outlines of white. The dates 1899-1949, formed of white spun sugar, extended partly around the cake. Silver trays of sandwiches, individual cakes and nuts were placed on the table. Mrs. N. G. Tillman, of Montgomery, and Mrs. H. A. Tillman, of New Russian, were from silver pots.

Mrs. Howard Vaughan, of Talladega, was at the door to meet the guests and present them to those standing to receive: Mrs. D. G. Clower, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Tillman, Mr. N. G. Tillman, Mr. H. L. Tillman, Mr. H. A. Tillman, Mrs. W. T. Dalton of Troy, Mrs. Nora Dubose of Graceville, Fla., and Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Lewis of Montgomery.

Miss Brunelle Tillman registered guests and Mrs. Harper L. Tillman ushered them from the living room to the dining room. Mr. Louis D. Grimes of Talladega passed dainty white napkins touched in gold, to the guests.

The honorees were the recipients of many beautiful gifts. Mrs. Tillman wore a lovely black silk dress and a shoulder corsage of a single orchid. Guests from Montgomery, Troy, Elba, Brundidge, and Graceville, Fla., were included in the callers.

WHITEWATER W.M.U. MEETS

The Whitewater W.M.U. held its first meeting in the home of Mrs. Dick Brown Thursday, December 1st. The meeting was called to order by the president. Devotional and prayer were given by Mrs. Leon Maddox. Roll call and the reading of the minutes were by Mrs. Dick Brown.

Mrs. Maxwell Reeves, president, appointed the following committees for the following year: Community missions, Mrs. Wallace Smith; Reporter, Mrs. Edlow Bryan; Program, Mrs. Albert Reeves, Jr.; White Cross and benevolence, Mrs. George Conway.

After the business meeting interesting talks were given from Royal Service: "Twins Around the World," Mrs. W. S. Reeves; "Jan's Open Door," Mrs. Edlow Bryan; "Our Great Inheritance and Pagan Mathematics," Mrs. Dick Brown; "Africa's Conquest," Miss Frances Maddox.

The meeting dismissed with the watchword.

The hostess served delicious refreshments to nine members and one visitor.

MURDOCK-BULLARD

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Murdock of Enterprise announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Hazel, to Wiley Lamar Bullard, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bullard, on December 24. The ceremony will be performed at the Enterprise First Baptist church, Dr. R. B. Justice officiating.

The bride-to-be has taught in the New Brockton public schools and is now a student at State Teachers College, Troy. Mr. Bullard is a senior at University of Alabama and will graduate in June. They will reside on the University campus.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Farris of Enterprise were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Paul Sunday.

Mrs. P. H. Creigler, of Eglin Field, Fla., is visiting her father, Mr. W. J. Bullard, and other relatives. Captain Creigler will visit in Elba during the week-end.

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New Brockton News

Mrs. M. O. Jones, Correspondent

Rev. W. G. Barnes, Mrs. G. C. Hudson, and Mrs. Rudolph Herling, Peggy Rainey, Carolyn Barnes, Edward and Charles Jeter, attended the sub-district meeting of the MYF in Elba last Monday night.

Mrs. Robert Hayes returned last Tuesday after spending several days in Montgomery with relatives.

STEPHENS, MCKINNON, AND BROWN SERVICE MEET FOR ROYAL SERVICE PROGRAM

The Stephens, McKinnon, and Brown Circles of the Baptist church met Monday at the church for the Royal Service Program, with Mrs. J. N. Wallace program chairman, in charge.

The meeting was opened by singing the hymn "It Came Upon the Midnight." Mrs. George Hogg led the devotional exercises, using for her topic "The Hopes and Fears of all the Years." The topic for the program, "Peace on Earth" was taken from Royal Service, was given by Mrs. John I. Jones.

A song entitled "Gladly" was sung by the Intermediate G. I. Girls. Mrs. J. K. Hayes gave a beautiful Christmas story followed by the group singing "Silent Night." A Christmas reading was given by Mrs. Colley Pittman. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Claude Sawyer.

BUSINESS WOMEN OBSERVE WEEK OF PRAYER

The Business Womens Circle of the Baptist Church met last Monday night with Mrs. Lawrence Herring to observe the Week of Prayer Program.

The topic for the devotional was "The Hopes and Fears of all the Years" and was given by Mrs. M. O. Jones.

Mrs. M. O. Jones, circle chairman, presided over a brief business session.

The theme for the evening "Unto Us Is Given - Give Ye" was introduced by the program chairman, Mrs. M. O. Jones.

An interesting discussion on Little Moon, the business woman, and "Representatives from China and Japan" was given by Mrs. M. O. Jones. Mrs. J. D. Rodgers discussed "Representatives from Latin America."

Talks on Representatives from the Near East and Europe were given by Mrs. Lawrence Herring and Mrs. Hugh Semmes.

The meeting adjourned with prayer.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1949

DISCOVERY OF ANCIENT CHEST

Spurs Another Treasure Hunt

MANTOLONGKING, N. J. — News of the finding of an ancient treasure chest containing 100th century English gold coins and jewelry sent amateur prospectors searching sands along the Atlantic coast recently.

The surf-battered chest, discovered by Joseph Dealing Jr., 12 years old, of Philadelphia, has released clusters of English guineas and half-guineas of 1789, covered over in crude mortar, as well as mortar-encrusted rings, gold buttons and cufflinks.

Police Chief J. Harrison Herbert is firmly convinced the coins represent a pirate hoard and says he is bolstered in the opinion by the fact that an English pirate ship, the Thistle, was lost near Manaquegan Inlet, nearby, in 1813. The chest also was convinced that the coins were quite legitimate after sending two of them to the Chase National Bank in New York for analysis.

Young Dowling, finder of the chest, found it too heavy to handle and called for help from A. S. Bladen of Boston, Pa., and his son. They pulled the chest ashore and lifted out its weather-coated contents. Gold buckles, cuff links, rings and the ancient coins were exposed to the bright sun when the rough substance covering them was chipped away. The three divided the find, and on Sunday evening returned to their homes. A few of the coins were left for local authorities.

Chief Herbert donated rubber boots and joined a crowd of treasure hunters who waded into the ocean. He came ashore later with two bars of metal covered with mortar but without any other treasure. Another searcher, Mrs. Elizabeth Earle, was more fortunate. She found a clump of mortar which, when broken up, revealed a dozen rings, which appeared to be gold. Chief Herbert said the original find had been split three ways. Young Dowling went home with more than ninety coins, buckles and rings. Bladen and his son also had their pockets stuffed.

Priests Sell Rare Antiques

For Dime-Store Price Scale

CARTHAGE, TUNISIA — Tourists with a taste for real antiques now can buy pottery treasures at dime-store prices right in the ruins of ancient Carthage.

The authenticity of their early Christian or even pre-Christian origins is vouched for by the learned Catholic "white fathers" in charge of excavations.

Their sale, in fact, is due to the enterprising fathers. In the past 70 years they have dug up more than their museum, the best of its kind in Africa, can hold.

A hundred francs, about 28 cents, will buy a little round pottery perfume bottle; for 500 francs one can have a slender tube of iridescent glass used by fourth century beauty to hold their perfumes.

Early Christian oil lamps, made from red clay with pressed flower or animal design, with wick openings blackened by use showing through the mold and dust of centuries, are offered for 200 to 400 francs.

A tray of Punie coins, green with age but with beautiful animal traceries, carries a "100 francs" price tag. The bargain special is a bowl of stone slugs, shot balls at 10 francs per "bullet."

Forrestal Residence Leased As U. S. Visitor Guest House

WASHINGTON — The federal government has leased the residence of the late James V. Forrestal, as a guest house for distinguished foreign visitors. The lease, signed with Forrestal's widow, was to run from October 15, 1949 to June 30, 1950, with the right of renewal.

Situated at 2508 Prospect Avenue N. W. in the old Georgetown area of the city, the big Georgian brick house sets high on a bluff overlooking the Potomac river.

The house was leased fully furnished with the Shah of Persia expected to be the first occupant.

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

By DR. KENNETH L. FOREMAN

SCRIPTURE, Isaiah 7:14, Jeremiah 23:18, Lamentations 4:1, 1:10.

Is God Available?

Lesson for December 18, 1949

DOES GOD EXIST? Yes. There is every good reason to believe that he does. But when we have answered that question in the affirmative, we have not settled the most important questions of religion. There are the other two questions of equal importance: What kind of God is he, and, is he available? Let us give some thought to this last question. One of our Christmas carols begins:

"Draw nigh, draw nigh, Immanuel!" Immanuel is one of the names by which Jesus is called, for the Christian church has always read Isaiah 7:14 as a prophecy of Jesus Christ. The name means "God with us" and is the answer to the deepest cry of the heart.

God in heaven far away, God the Creator who set in motion this mighty universe, God the all-wise ruler beyond the stars, God the Eternal who knows neither youth nor age.

Such a God has sometimes been believed in by men who nevertheless walked in a dark world of loneliness, doubting that so great a God could possibly have any interest in their own affairs.

Is God WITH us? Is God WITH US? Is God WITH US? That is the question that torments the troubled mind. With one voice, the whole church of God answers Yes: the name of the one in whose face we see the glory of God is named "God-with-us."

In the first chapter of the Bible we hear of a God who walked with his children in a garden. In the first chapters of the Gospels we hear sons of the God who has "visited his people" and in almost the last chapter of the Bible we hear the promise, "God himself shall be with them and be their God."

"When ye shall search for him with all your hearts" — "MIST TRUTHS are two-sided. You have to keep both sides in mind or you will not fully understand. God is with us yes; God is with all men, yes—that is, there are no favorites with him, he refuses his presence to no one. God is always available, available to all. That is one side of the truth. The other side is this: God is not equally with all men. Some men are alienated from God. Some men are godless. Even among those with whom God lives, we may fairly say that God is with some in a higher degree, in fuller measure, than he is with others. Jeremiah gives the clue to this truth: "Ye shall seek me and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." (Jer. 29:13.) Those who do not search for God will not find him.

Those whose search is half-hearted only half-find him. God does not enter uninvited. He is available, but he will not force his way in. We can see how this is when we think about Christmas we know. It does not make sense to say that they are all equally godly.

We have known some great Christians of whom we might almost dare to say that Paul's prayer had been answered, that they have been "filled with the fullness of God." (Eph. 3:19.) But in other Christians, who certainly have some small seed of faith in them, it may be hard even for a kindly observer to see many signs of God's presence.

"Thou canst, a little baby thing..." "GOD IS in all things," he shines in all that's fair," as we sing the familiar hymn. But the center of the Christian faith is that God comes to man especially and most closely in Jesus Christ.

No matter how strongly men believed in God in olden times, always they looked forward, as the prophets show, to a time when God would come nearer than he had been before. True, it was a surprise when finally he came to Bethlehem, "a little baby in thing that made a woman cry."

A world accustomed to kings in purple robes, in well-guarded castles, was surprised that the King of the Universe would be found as a child among the poor. But after all, which better represents the All-Available God—a king behind his palace walls, or a child in a home that loves him?

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Private Planes

Fail to Match

Use Prediction

CHICAGO — A postwar world where everyone flew his own airplane and traffic cops of the sky kept the Sunday "driver-fliers" in line has failed to materialize.

In fact, sales of private airplanes in 1949 ran approximately to only 6,000, whereas it had been freely predicted that more than a half-million civil aircraft would be in operation within 10 years after the war. Compared with 1946, when manufacturers sold 35,000 light planes for personal flying, the 1949 total was down some 80 percent.

Causes for the slump in sales of airplanes are legion says Leslie A. Bryan, director of University of Illinois' institute of aviation. He attributes chief costs to the still high prices on aircraft. Poor marketing may be another, he adds, plus high operating costs, limited utility, lack of safety, high depreciation, high insurance costs, inadequate service facilities and disturbing noises.

However, he pointed out that all these factors were similarly troublesome in the early years of the automobile.

Causes Lessening — Bryan said he found that most of these causes are lessening, just as they did with the progress of the horseless carriage. It is only a question of time, he says, when there will be a transportation medium combining the best in the plane and the best in the automobile, although better than either is today.

Nevertheless, during the last year declines appeared in the number of airports, private pilot certificates issued, flight schools in operation, and personal aircraft manufactured. He sums up these elements of the private flying picture in this way:

Airports—"It is probable 7,500 properly located airports would give a passably adequate landing area coverage for the United States," he once said, "but the fact of the matter is that there are only 1,500."

Private Pilot Certificates—"The number of private pilot certificates issued in 1948 was 1,500, compared with 2,500 in 1947. This is a decline of 40 percent."

Flight Schools—"The number of flight schools in operation in 1948 was 1,500, compared with 2,500 in 1947. This is a decline of 40 percent."

Personal Aircraft—"The number of personal aircraft manufactured in 1948 was 3,500, compared with 35,000 in 1946. This is a decline of 90 percent."

Operating Costs—"The average cost of operating a private airplane in 1948 was \$1,500 per month, compared with \$1,000 in 1947. This is an increase of 50 percent."

Insurance—"The average cost of insuring a private airplane in 1948 was \$1,500 per year, compared with \$1,000 in 1947. This is an increase of 50 percent."

Depreciation—"The average cost of depreciating a private airplane in 1948 was \$1,500 per year, compared with \$1,000 in 1947. This is an increase of 50 percent."

Safety—"The average cost of safety equipment for a private airplane in 1948 was \$1,500 per year, compared with \$1,000 in 1947. This is an increase of 50 percent."

Noises—"The average cost of soundproofing a private airplane in 1948 was \$1,500 per year, compared with \$1,000 in 1947. This is an increase of 50 percent."

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with Texas in the lead with 624.

In addition, the airport operators council estimates 77 million dollars is available in state and municipal sponsored funds to match money granted under the Federal Airport Act for airport construction.

Half-Million Pilots — Pilot "Check"—about 500,000 licensed pilots in the United States, or about five pilots for every registered airplane. Of this number, 10,000 are certificated airline transport pilots, 210,000 commercial and 280,000 private. There are over 100,000 student pilots.

Flight instruction now averages around \$10 an hour, compared to \$25 an hour and more before the war. It takes between 30 and 40 hours of instruction to obtain a private pilot license, including at least 10 hours of dual instruction.

Why? The answer was so simple everyone wondered why he hadn't thought of it. The police simply gave away 10,000 bags of pretzels to the kids, the distribution being by police cruisers.

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Asked if she favored drafting women for the armed services, she replied: "Draft them in time of war, just like men. In time of peace, no."

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Mrs. G. L. Pinckard and son,

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Social Activities

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Mrs. Gid Parks and daughter, Jane, of Florence, are visiting Mrs. Parks mother, Mrs. Pearl Brock.

Mrs. Totsye Rhodes of Montgomery, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Rhodes.

Mrs. Sam Sawyer and Lela Ann, Mrs. Eris Paul and Jeanette, and Miss Gladys Clark went to Montgomery Saturday.

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ROUTWELL-PRIOR

Miss Frances Nell Routwell and Mr. Stanley Prior were married Monday afternoon, December 5th, at the Baptist parsonage with Rev. O. M. Fog officiating. The bride wore a white and black two-piece suit of gray wool and black accessories.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Prior left for a short honeymoon in Florida. Mrs. Prior is a teacher in the Blue Springs school in Barbour County, and upon their return they will reside in Okla.

The bride is the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Routwell. She and the groom are graduates of Elba High school and both have attended college since graduation. Until recently Mr. Prior was a member of the Army Air Corps.

Mrs. W. C. Braswell, Mrs. Sam Rowe, and Mrs. W. M. Bullard visited in Montgomery Monday.

Marshall Ringdorf, Billy Vaughan, Joan Thomason, and Ann Dunaway, students at Ashbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky, arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Mrs. George Morrow and Mrs. Taylor of Graceville, Fla., visited Mrs. J. H. Armour last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Lowery attended the football game in Birmingham last week-end.

THREE-IN-ONE CLUB MEETS IN SAWYER HOME

Mrs. Sam Sawyer, Mrs. Price Ringo and Mrs. Roberta Childs entertained the members of the Three-in-One Club Friday evening in the home of Mrs. Sawyer.

When the club members and guests had assembled the hostesses served delightful refreshments, after which Mrs. T. K. Dorsey, president, called the meeting to order.

The story of Christ's birth as given in the second chapter of Luke was read for devotions.

During the business session, plans were made and a committee appointed to provide a Christmas offering to some needy family. Mrs. G. L. Pinckard announced that the club still had blind made articles for sale and urged those present to see them and buy what they want as early as possible.

Miss Gladys Clark, program chairman, presented Miss Ann Fox who substituted for Miss Lillian Rowe on the program.

Miss Fox reviewed "The Sweet Story Ever Told." Mrs. Wm. Bullard gave a paper on "The Story of Carols," and was accompanied on the piano by Miss Hattie Mae Bullard. The closing number on the program was a number of Christmas Carols by the group. An added and most delightful feature was the piano selections by Miss Hattie Mae Bullard.

Twenty-one members and two guests, Miss Ann Fox and Miss Hattie Mae Bullard, were present.

Y.W.A. MEETS WITH MRS. FRANKLIN ON TUESDAY

The Y.W.A. of the Baptist church met last Tuesday evening in the home of Mrs. B. S. Franklin. The Little Moon Christmas program was presented by Betty Maddox, Ann Fox, Barbara Jones, Frances Miles, Martha Rainer and Mrs. Franklin. The hostesses served party duties during the social hour.

ELBA STUDY CLUB MEETS

The regular meeting of the Elba Study Club was held at the home of Miss Eunora Farris on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. J. O. English was co-hostess with Miss Farris.

The subject for the meeting was "Family Life in Alabama At the Turn of the Century." Mrs. J. O. English reviewed the book "With a Southern Accent" by Viola Goode Liddell. Mrs. Frank Perdue was a guest of the club and rendered a piano solo.

Lovely arrangements of white mums adorned the living room and mixed flowers were used in the hall.

Following the program the hostesses served a salad plate. Mrs. Sue Ounter, of Jackson, Miss., and Mrs. Fred L. Davis were additional guests of the club.

STUDY CLUB MEMBERS HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of the Elba study club enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. J. M. Kinney Friday afternoon.

The beautiful new home was decorated with the Christmas theme, which was featured by a unique and attractive mantle arrangement.

Mrs. Lamar Rainer read the Bible Christmas story and gave a Christmas poem. Miss Mabel Brunson read "The Littlest Angel" by Charles Tazewell. The exchange of gifts was made from the Christmas tree and the hostesses, Mrs. Kinney and Mrs. Farris, served refreshments.

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About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

Rev. Plant Christmas Display Attracts Much Attention

Life-Sized Display Here Again After Absence of Year

The elaborate Christmas scene at Plant City, two miles north of Elba, on the Elba and Troy highway, which was so famous two years ago, has again been installed and is attracting large throngs of interested visitors. The scene was on exhibition at the Elba Baptist Church last season.

The scene is a happy combination of the Nativity story and the more modern St. Nicholas theme. The scene covers a wide stretch of ground across the hill, which makes an ideal setting for the display, which is the handiwork of the most numerous and elaborate ever seen in this community.

Rev. J. E. Plant purchased the display from him at quite a large outlay. Everything in the display is life size. Approaching from the left are the wise men and their camels, while from the right, Santa Claus with his reindeer, sleigh and other paraphernalia are eagerly approaching the stable where the Christ Child, with his mother, is cradled in a manger. The stable with a donkey, cow, sheep and other barnyard animals, form a very realistic scene. The artist showed remarkable talent in the expression of eagerness and wonderment he gave to all the characters. Even the cow, camels and donkey have marked expressions on the countenances. Mr. Plant said the sheep were so natural in appearance that when they were placed in their positions his dog growled and barked at them, thinking they were real animals. A large "Star of Bethlehem" directs the cavalcades to the scene of the immaculate birth of the Savior of the World. The whole scene is beautifully electrically illuminated, making it a truly wonderful extravaganza.

Countless visitors are registering in the large book placed in a nearby booth. The names registered show that many of the visitors are from distant points. Rev. Plant is to be congratulated on his outstanding Christmas display.

We Don't Believe It

Charles Lindsey complains of having trouble in keeping within the legal bird game limit. He has been shooting a 16 gauge shotgun but he said he has become so cracked that he has decided to change to a 410 gauge. He said he may have to change later to a 22 caliber pistol so his associates can keep up with him.

Judge Not As Lenient As Stated

The following verdicts were inadvertently omitted in the Clipper's report of the proceedings of the fall term of Coffee County Circuit Court which convened in Elba December 5:

Slate vs. David E. Wambles, alias, False Pretense. Jury verdict or guilty as charged. Defendant formally sentenced to penitentiary for three years. Notice of appeal given. Sentence suspended pending appeal. Appeal bond fixed at \$1,000.

Slate vs. M. J. Cartwell, Attempt to Murder. Jury verdict of guilty of assault and battery, fixing a fine of \$1,000.

Slate vs. Windell Kelley, Reckless Driving. Jury verdict of guilty as charged, fixing a fine of \$25.



Elba Stores To Be Closed Monday

As Christmas day falls on Sunday this year, the holiday will be generally observed on Monday. Most of the business houses in Elba will be closed on that day. The public schools will be having a vacation until Monday morning, January 2. It is reported that the Dorsey Trailer plant will be closed Monday and Tuesday. Turkeys are said to be more plentiful and are somewhat cheaper than they have been for several years, so turkey dinners will probably be more numerous than usual.

One of the outstanding occasions of the Christmas season will be the opening of the handsome Elba First Baptist Church which will hold its first services Sunday. A Christmas cantata is announced for Sunday night, commencing at 7:00 o'clock.

A survey of Christmas decorations throughout the Elba area shows numerous unusually beautiful displays. It is quite commonly remarked that this season's decorations are the most numerous and elaborate ever seen in this community. There are so many attractive displays we will not attempt to mention them individually. However, one display deserves special mention - that of Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Reeves in the front yard of their home on Caroline street in West Elba. It consists of a life-size Santa Claus, six prancing reindeer and red sleigh, all brilliantly lighted. A miniature Christmas tree adds to the festive spirit of the display.

W. W. Ham Resigns As City Clerk; T. D. Kendrick Appointed

Failing Eyesight Causes Resignation; Pension Voted

At a called meeting held December 13, the Elba city council accepted the resignation of W. W. Ham as city clerk to become effective December 15. T. D. Kendrick was elected as Mr. Ham's successor. Failing eyesight was the reason for Mr. Ham's resignation. He has served the city as clerk for more than fifteen years and has made an outstanding record of efficiency. His resignation was accepted with the proviso that he shall draw \$50 a month for nine months and that if within that period his eyesight should sufficiently improve he will be re-instated.

Mr. Kendrick is well qualified for the clerk's office and Mr. Ham promises to spend a considerable portion of his time in the clerk's office and will give Mr. Kendrick every assistance possible. Mr. Kendrick wishes it to be understood that his new duties will in no wise interfere with his real estate brokerage and abstract business.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

The Elba Assembly of God Church will present Friday night, December 23 at 7 o'clock "The Christmas Voice." The public is cordially invited.

Garrett Cops Prizes

The Garrett Motor Company showed the high ranking it holds among the Ford agencies over the Southern states by copying two of the top prizes awarded to winners in the safety campaign sponsored by the Ford Company. The prizes awarded to the Garrett Motor Company were a handsome Elgin watch and a \$100 Government Bond. As the contest covered all of the Southern states, comprising hundreds of agencies, the Garrett Motor Company is deservedly proud of its achievement.

Methodist To Feature Movie On Christmas

9:45 A. M. Sunday School.
11:00 A. M. The pastor will bring a Christmas message on the subject, "The Group Around The Cradle."

5:30 P. M. Youth Fellowship and Junior Youth Fellowship Meetings.

6:00 P. M. A Christmas motion picture will be presented, "The Child of Bethlehem." This film is especially recommended for the betterment of families of young people and adults. It presents the simple and beautiful story of the Child Jesus against the background of the social life of Palestine, the Roman government, and the Herodian Tyranny. The public is invited to see this fine picture.

7:00 P. M. No service scheduled at the Methodist Church. We urge everyone to go to the Baptist Church at this time for the Christmas cantata. Fred L. Davis, pastor announced.

New Baptist Church To Be Occupied Christmas



The people of the First Baptist Church have been looking forward to the time when they could go into their new home of worship. On Sunday, December 25 at 7 P. M., a Christmas program will be conducted. This program is under direction of a Music Committee composed of Mrs. Kinney Dorsey, Miss Joan Clark and Mr. James Martin.

The committee, the pastor and the congregation hereby extends to the people of this community their hearty invitation to attend this program.

We would like also, to express sincere appreciation to the

P. M. and Evening Worship at 7:00 P. M.

We want to thank those who gave us permission to use the school buildings for our Sunday School and other services during the time we have been under construction. You have been patient with us and we appreciate all your kindness. Our last services in the school buildings will be Sunday morning, December 25. Come to Sunday School and stay through Worship Service on our Lord's Birthday. What better way could you celebrate that day.

Mrs. Gilbert Kelley Dies In Troy Hospital

Mrs. Gilbert Kelley died in Edge Hospital, Troy, Friday, December 16, following an illness of about two weeks. Childbirth was a contributing cause. Her little daughter is healthy and is getting along nicely. She has been named Glenda Delores.

Mrs. Kelley was born in Basin community, November 21, 1923, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Smith. She was reared in Basin community but had resided on Troy, Route 3, since her marriage.

Survivors include her husband Gilbert Smith; a son, Dennis Edward Kelley; an infant daughter, Glenda Delores Kelley; all of Troy, Route 3; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Smith, Elba, Route 4; five sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Holland, Elba; Mrs. Bessie L. Jones, Chairman; H. S. Martin, Vice Chairman; T. O. Nichols, Member; Community (Beats 9 and 12) Earl E. Mixson, Chairman; W. H. DeVaughn, Vice Chairman; W. H. Gannon, Member.

Community J (Beats 14 and 23): John L. Carnley, Chairman; Gray Howell, Vice Chairman; James L. Wise, Member; Community K (Beat 17): Lester Gunter, Chairman; Marvin Hegler, Vice Chairman; and J. R. Griffin, Jr., Member.

SUNRISE SERVICE

There will be a sunrise service held at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Christmas morning at 6:30. Everyone is invited to attend services.

T. M. Phillips.

Teel Birthday

Mr. Dan S. Teel announced that the annual celebration of his birthday anniversary commemorating his 87th birthday will be held at his home on Sunday, January 1, New Year's Day. Everybody is cordially invited. Friends of Mr. Teel will be glad to hear that his health is much improved after several years' illness.

Tigers Lose 38-27 To Enterprise; Play Coffee Springs Jan. 3

Dye Leads Tigers On 13 Points; Maddox Scores 20 Points

The Elba High Tigers were defeated 38-27 by the Enterprise Wildcats on the Enterprise Court. In previous games this season the Tigers had won from Coffee Springs 78-19 and Brantley 60-25. The Tiger Bees also suffered defeat 35 to 25.

Maddox, Enterprise center, was too much for the Tigers. His six-foot four-inch height, made guarding him almost impossible. Maddox hit the basket for 16 points in the first half and added four more in the second to garner more than half the Enterprise points.

Dye led the Tiger squad with 13 points, eight of them scored in the first half as Elba trailed 16-9.

The Tiger schedule calls for no more games until after the Christmas holidays. A return game will be played with Coffee Springs there January 3.

Tree Decorators Are Warned Of Danger

Now is the time to make certain that your Christmas holidays are not marred by fires or other accidents resulting from defective Christmas lighting equipment, warns Chief Flournoy Whitman.

"You need have no fear of fire from well-made Christmas lighting equipment," says Chief Whitman. "If the lights are not too old and are in good condition, they will be safe."

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at Bethel A.M.E. Church, conducted by Rev. D. C. Godwin. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery. The White Angel Funeral Home directing.

Christmas Cantata Held By Methodists

A Christmas cantata, was beautifully rendered at the Elba Methodist Church Sunday night, entitled "Give Him Room". The choir loft was attractively lighted with a multitude of candles. About twenty young voices rendered what was generally considered one of the best programs of the kind ever heard in this city. Misses Peggy Blue and Ann Dunaway and Buddy Whitman were soloists of high order. Misses Blue and Dunaway also rendered a decidedly sweet duet. A trio composed of Buddy Whitman, Lamar Rainer, Jr., and Gene Fuller delighted the audience with their number in which their voices blended harmoniously. The whole chorus sang the well beloved Christmas carols which were arranged in decidedly pleasing manner. Mrs. W. M. Ringdorf at the piano, furnished a fine accompaniment.

Many members of other congregations helped to swell the congregation which comfortably filled the auditorium. At the close of the program a collection of approximately \$115 was taken for the support of the Orphan Home at Selma.

Aged Negro Woman

Clara Thigpen, highly esteemed colored woman, died Monday, December 19, at the home of her son, Leamon Thigpen, in West Elba, following an illness of about a week. A heart attack was the immediate cause of her death.

She was born in Butler County, December 18, 1876, lacking only one day of reaching her 74 birthday. She had lived in Elba for more than twenty years.

She is survived by a son, Leamon Thigpen, and 11 grandchildren; two brothers, Solomon Berton or Greenville, and Nathan Berton of Detroit, Mich.; a sister, Lucy May Watts of Greenville.

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